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GROVER TAUNTS DEMOCRACY.

Grover Cleveland has broken out again on the political situation and this time, as before, he berates the millions of Democrats who fought the fight to successive campaigns, while he was listless and did nothing to advance the interests of the party that had honored him with the highest office within the gift of the people.

This time he appears in the Saturday Evening Post and dares address the rank and file of the party, from which he parted ways, even before he left the Presidential chair.

One striking utterance is as follows: "Our fighting forces will respond listlessly and faltering if summoned to a third defeat in a strange cause; but if they hear the rallying call of true Democracy they will gather for battle with old-time Democratic enthusiasm and courage."

Cleveland is not rated as being among the "fighting forces." He has done nothing for eight long years that places him there. He did not "falter," but did worse. He rebelled. According to him, the party whose cause he now espouses, had "a strange cause" for eight years. In other words, he ascribes to the many great men of the party, who stood loyal, the part of mental incapacity and lack of moral courage and principle. Such an epithet coming from him will sound stranger still than the last two platforms they had. The "rallying call" of true Democracy sounds well, but when did that sort prevail? It could not have been under Grover Cleveland, for his own party repudiated him and hated him like a serpent the last time he was President. They hate him to-day.

Democracy may gather with its own enthusiasm and courage, but not around the Cleveland flag-pole. Grover, however, is doing a service the opposite political party appreciates. Let him keep it up and drive all the Democrats he can from the fold.

PROTECT PROPERTY.

Fire insurance inspectors have been here and urged upon members of the city council the importance from their standpoint of better water supply and greater fire-fighting equipments. The people would rather invest money in a good and adequate water works system and an ample fire department than to give it to the insurance companies. Again, if conditions are prolonged, it will not be long until fire insurance of any sort will be unobtainable. Shall we have more street work before we make ourselves safe in this respect? It is up to the city council to say and the Telegram joins the inspectors in urging that much money be spent the coming year on the water works system and the fire department. Streets may be built some other year. The city's law-makers meet to-night. Let them do something along this line. Formulate a plan and then see that it is carried out properly but with all possible speed.

There has probably been a Democratic council of war, or rather peace, since it is a fact that Salem has quieted down and the late Democratic candidate for mayor out there has withdrawn to his habitation so far as the public knows. The idea is he was going it a little too strong to suit his Democratic brethren and they called him off. He is rather spasmodic, however, and it may be he

will break out again any moment. May be he has quit the habit and taken up that of rushing into the newspapers and saying nothing after he gets in.

Some of the local Democratic leaders are beginning to get active in municipal politics. They have made a personal canvass of the saloons and the plea they put up that we will let you have an open town. They say they want the saloon vote, and that is the way they think they can get it. To others they make the public declaration, even the columns of a paper, that the town must be something entirely different. Would it not be well for these fellows to heed the saying of Lincoln about fooling the people?

Since the scheming Democratic politicians, who think they are so wise, offer to pledge themselves to an open town, and the charge is made by them that the town is already open, why should they not advocate the election of the present officials. The reason is they do not care about the welfare of the town as much as they pretend they do, but do want the offices. And why do they want them? Probably, they imagine there will be an opportunity to do some looting.

The Democratic organ may rant about this, that and the other and suggest in high tones what ought to be done, but it will not have the courage to demand that its party nominate its ticket before the other party does, so as to let the other fellows make improvements on it. It is not in earnest when it cries out for better government. What it wants is a select few of its own choosing to get the offices and it does not matter so much about their stamp.

After all the hue and cry put up by eastern Democratic papers to the effect that the Republican party intended to desert Roosevelt, the league of Republican clubs of Ohio met in Cleveland and with a single exception endorsed Roosevelt and pledged themselves to his candidacy. The Democratic idea was to persuade Republicans to do as they suggested, but the Republicans always do for themselves and they do not make any mistakes when they do it.

There are a few scheming Democrats around this section of the country, who are as corrupt as one finds them, and yet they have the audacity to condemn others who are not. It is done to fool the people. They have tried year after year to vindicate or rather to get the people to put them where they could be even more corrupt but the people have never seen it that way. Nor will they see it that way this year.

The weather may not have any bearing on religion, but the observer has noticed that this is a very cold winter and that there have been unusual revivals everywhere. It may be that interest in religious matters is all the more concentrated because the weather does not permit of diversion. Then again many can not work and that affords them opportunity to attend church.

It is amusing to hear some Democrats talk about higher and better government owing to the fact of their hypocritical pretensions. There have been many illustrations where there was nothing too mean and low for them to do. Their reformation must be of the spontaneous sort. Will it last a day?

The term "blackmail" has been brought into use again by a few of the local Democrats concerning the municipal election. Wonder who has done the most of the blackmailing the past year or so? They can tell but they won't, as they do not like to convict themselves.

It probably grates the ears of the political hypocrites at Salem to hear the Herald of that town speak in favor of good, honorable men for office. They have on more use for that sort than Clarksburg has for street cars pulled by horses.

The congressional convention comes early this year in this district. It will be held in Wheeling, April 12. One of the advantages is it gives a good long time to effect a perfect organization.

YOUNG MAN SUICIDES.

George Huff, near Auburn, Ritchie county, committed suicide this week by shooting himself with a shot gun. The awful deed was committed about 10 o'clock in the morning and he lived until evening, during which time he was partially conscious. No cause is assigned, but it is probable that he was at least partly insane. He has a sister in the asylum. He was about forty years old and leaves a small family. S. M. Huff, a prominent lawyer at Harrisville, is a brother of the dead man.

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Elected By the Master Plumbers of West Virginia For the Ensuing Year.

The Master Plumbers of the State elected the following officers at their meeting at Fairmont, just adjourned:
President—James Mansberger, of Wheeling.
First Vice President—W. A. Wiedebush, of Fairmont.
Second Vice President—M. F. Powers, Secretary—W. H. Hare, Wheeling.
After the election of officers W. A. Wiedebush was nominated as a vice-president to the National Association, and at the next session according to an established custom, he will be elected. The next annual meeting will be held in the city of Parkersburg during the month of February, 1905.

Tendency of the Times.

The tendency of medical science is toward preventative measures. The best thought of the world is being given to the subject. It is easier and better to prevent than to cure. It has been fully demonstrated that pneumonia, one of the most dangerous diseases that medical men have to contend with, can be prevented by the use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Pneumonia always results from a cold or from an attack of influenza (grip), and it has been observed that this remedy counteracts any tendency of these diseases toward pneumonia. This has been fully proven in many thousands of cases in which this remedy has been used during the great prevalence of colds and grip in recent years, and can be relied upon with implicit confidence. Pneumonia often results from a slight cold when no danger is apprehended until it is suddenly discovered that there is fever and difficulty in breathing and pains in the chest, then it is announced that the patient has pneumonia. Be on the safe side and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the cold is contracted. It always cures. For sale by G. C. Stone, druggist.

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No. 7—(daily ex. Sun.) Ar. 6:45 p. m.
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No. 2—(Daily ex. Sun.) Ar. 8:50 a. m.; Lv. 10:35 p. m.
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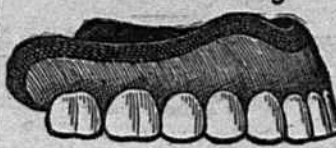
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